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*Administration reports of Municipal Councils—1920-21—cont.*

Serial number and name of municipality.	Government Order and date.	Serial number and name of municipality.	Government Order and date.
	1922.		1922.
46. Kurnool ..	543, L. & M., 21st Mar.	64. Virudupatti ..	263, L. & M., 9th Feb.
47. Nandyal ..	251 „ 6th Feb.	65. Salem ..	430-A „ 6th Mar.
48. Bodinayakanur.	101 „ 12th Jan.	66. Kumbakonam.	561 „ 23rd Mar.
49. Dindigul ..	208 „ 31st Jan.	67. Mannargudi ..	586-A „ 27th Mar.
50. Kodsikanal ..	107 „ 12th Jan.	68. Mayavaram ..	747 „ 26th Apr.
51. Madura ..	766-A „ 28th Apr.	69. Negapatam ..	201 „ 30th Jan.
52. Palni ..	469 „ 11th Mar.	70. Tenjore ..	654 „ 5th Apr.
53. Periyakulam..	536 „ 21st Mar.	71. Tiruvalur ..	445-A „ 7th Mar.
54. Calicut ..	565-A „ 24th Mar.	72. Palamcottah ..	580-A „ 27th Mar.
55. Cannanore ..	32 „ 3rd Jan.	73. Tinnevely ..	202 „ 30th Jan.
56. Cochin ..	435 „ 6th Feb.	74. Tuticorin ..	497 „ 14th Mar.
57. Palghat ..	598 „ 31st Mar.	75. Srirangam ..	25 „ 4th Jan.
58. Tellicherry ..	461 „ 10th Mar.	76. Karur ..	766 „ 28th Apr.
59. Nellore ..	545 „ 21st Mar.	77. Trichinopoly.	504 „ 15th Mar.
60. Coonoor ..	535 „ 20th Mar.	78. Anakapalle ..	542 „ 21st Mar.
61. Ootacamund ..	212 „ 31st Jan.	79. Bimlipatam ..	361 „ 22nd Feb.
62. Sivakasi ..	2327 „ 28th Nov.	80. Vizagapatam..	211 „ 31st Mar.
63. Srivilliputtur.	626 „ 31st Mar.	81. Vizianagram ..	506-A „ 15th Mar.

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## III

## A BILL TO AMEND THE MADRAS PORT TRUST ACT, 1905—cont.

The hon. Sir CHARLES TODHUNTER:—“Mr. President, you were good enough to advise us yesterday to take this Bill back for full scrutiny and not to bring it before the Council again until next month. I should have been very glad, Sir, to avail myself of that advice had only circumstances permitted me to do so. There is this difficulty, however. The Madras Port Trust are anxious to raise a loan at a very early date, and one of the conditions necessary to the raising of that loan is the power to issue bearer-bonds. We want to be able to assure the people that have been in correspondence with them that they have that power. If we pass this Bill, then they will have that assurance. If we have to wait, that may interfere with the raising of the loan, which they want to take as an immediate matter.

“At the same time, the amendments which were passed yesterday have produced a situation which requires further consultation with the Select Committee. The maximum number of members of the Port Trust is fixed at 15. The minimum has been raised by the amendments moved yesterday to 11, and two new elective members have been provided for. We actually have at the present moment 14 members and if we add two more we shall be exceeding the maximum. That raises a question of substance, and I do not think it is desirable that the Government should dispose of that without further consultation with the Select Committee. Standing Order No. 44 provides for a Bill being referred back to the Select Committee, but I am afraid, hardly in the circumstances which at present have arisen. I would, however, ask your permission, Sir, to take this Bill back for reconsideration informally by the Select Committee and to bring it up again on or before the 17th instant for final consideration.”

Diwan Bahadur M. RAMACHANDRA RAO PANTULU:—“I am afraid that such a procedure is not permitted under our rules. So far as our rules are concerned, it is open to my hon. friend to take time to summon the

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members of the Select Committee informally and consult them. There need not be any presentation of another report. Technically it would not be in accordance with our procedure to ask for leave to summon the Select Committee."

The hon. Sir CHARLES TODHUNTER:—"I quite agree with the hon. Member as regards the technical point. I was only explaining to the House that we wished to consult the Select Committee in the circumstances arising out of the amendment."

The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"The hon. the Law Member wanted to move certain verbal amendments."

The hon. Sir CHARLES TODHUNTER:—"I wish to consult the Select Committee before bringing these amendments to the Council. With your permission, Sir, I move that the Bill be postponed for further consideration to the 17th."

The hon. Mr. K. SRINIVASA AYYANGAR seconded the motion.

The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"Before I put the motion to vote I should like to know if the hon. Member has quite realized that on that day we would have to take up clause 5 and then as soon as that is passed, a motion would be made for the passing of the Bill into law."

The hon. Mr. K. SRINIVASA AYYANGAR:—"Owing to the increase in the number of members, some consequential amendments are required. On consideration, I find that a transitory provision also would be required for the purpose of enabling the two new associations to elect members at once. So I wish to propose a transitory provision to that effect. That is why I want to consult the Select Committee, so that they may give their advice in the matter of the raising of the maximum and for the purpose of working out some of the other provisions. It is only with reference to clause 5 and the giving effect to the transitory provisions that I want the Select Committee to meet."

The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"The meeting of the Select Committee is quite an informal affair and we need not take any notice of it. We will take up clause 5 and the transitory provisions on the adjourned date. If that is done, any member will be entitled to object to the Bill being passed into law on that date. Then the hon. Member will find himself landed in the difficulty of not having the Bill passed into law for the purpose of raising the loan. I trust the hon. Member realizes that. I only mention this so that there may be no ambiguity."

The further consideration of the Bill was, with the permission of the Council, adjourned to the 17th November.

#### IV

#### A BILL TO REGULATE STATE AID TO INDUSTRIES, 1922.

The hon. Rai Bahadur K. VENKATAREDDI NAYUDU:—"Mr. President, I beg to introduce the Madras State Aid to Industries Bill. The scope and purpose of the Bill are accurately and fully set out in the statement of objects and reasons which has been published nearly three months ago.

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